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The New England College of Optometry

Commencement Exercises



1996

*Saturday, the First of June
John Hancock Hall
Boston, Massachusetts*

The New England College of Optometry

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Commencement Program

Processional

Marshalls: Dr. Frank Kozol
Dr. Ronald Watanabe

Invocation

Reverend Colin Leitch

Commencement Exercises

Presiding: President Larry Clausen

Greetings to the Graduates

Dr. Hyman Kamens
Vice President for Student & Alumni Affairs

Welcome from the Alumni Association

Dr. Walter Potaznick
Alumni Association President

Valedictory

Vincent Gagliardi
Valedictorian, Class of 1996

Conferring of Honorary Degree

Presenter: Dr. G. Burt Holmes, Trustee Emeritus

Dr. Damien Smith, Doctor of Ocular Science

Commencement Address

Dr. Damien Smith

Presentation of Candidates

Dr. Hyman Kamens

Presentation of Degrees:

Hooding the Candidates:

Dr. Anthony Cavallerano, Dean of Clinical Sciences
Dr. David Heath, Dean of Academic Affairs

Presenting Diplomas: Dr. Joseph Bickford, Chairman, Board of Trustees

Conferring of Degrees: Dr. Larry Clausen, President

Pledge

Dr. Clausen will lead the graduates in the Optometric Oath

Benediction

Reverend Colin Leitch

Recessional

Reception immediately following ceremony in the Dorothy Quincy Suite

Degrees Awarded on June 1, 1996

Doctor of Optometry

Matthew Robert Alpert	Woodland Hills, California
Keith P. Andrews	Seekonk, Massachusetts
Mehrmoosh Ashabi	Lakeforest, California
Renell Hope Atkins-Sinha	Milton, Massachusetts
Dianna Helen Ausprunk	Newton Centre, Massachusetts
Christopher George Barbour	Eugene, Oregon
Andrew Lee Berger	Richmond Hill, Ontario, Canada
Tracey C. Boss	Arlington, Massachusetts
Michelle M. Bouchard	East Millinocket, Maine
Stefan Spiro Bournakel	Auburn, Maine
Paul M. Cangiano	Walpole, Massachusetts
Brent W. N. Caswell	Sudbury, Ontario, Canada
Vivien Wai Mei Chan	North York, Ontario, Canada
Colin D. Chewter	Oakville, Ontario, Canada
Kim Marie Ciampa	Saugus, Massachusetts
John E. Clavadetscher	Seattle, Washington
Shari Nancy Cohen	Dix Hills, New York
Patrick Cotton Connelly	Orrington, Maine
Kyra Lija Crinella	Quincy, Massachusetts
Samuel V. P. Cung	Scarborough, Ontario, Canada
Lam N. Dao	Central Falls, Rhode Island
Michael L. DeMeo	Schenectady, New York
Denis G. Descarreaux	Fitchburg, Massachusetts
Maria Inez Diaz	Meriden, Connecticut
Laura Maria Di Nino	King City, Ontario, Canada
Kimberly Ann DiTolla	Plainville, Connecticut
Julia Ann Emery	McPherson, Kansas
Karen A. Eng	North Barrington, Illinois
Kristine Ann Erickson	Newburyport, Massachusetts
Robert Leif Erickson	Shadyside, Ohio
Carol J. Farrar	Island Falls, Maine
Rossella Fonte	Belluno, Italy
Jenica K. Forslund	Sandwich, Massachusetts
Wayne A. Fowler	Randolph, Massachusetts
Vincent Gagliardi	Woodbridge, Ontario, Canada
Shane Mitchell Galan	Oceanside, New York
Maria Gibbons	Hyde Park, New York
Linda Squillace Gilligan	Schenectady, New York
Gerald William Glaser	Barrington, Rhode Island
Simone Gina Golante	Boston, Massachusetts
Brad C. Gollinger	Chester, New York
Karen Louise Grucci	West Springfield, Massachusetts
James Paul Hahn	Canton, Massachusetts

Dorothy Lea Hitchmoth
Ivo Horak
Parveen Jaglan
Kirsten Margaret Winsor Jones
Jason Leonard Kaminski
Michelle L. Kent
Lucy Elisabeth Keselman
Robert William Knapp
Fotini Kostogiannis
Edward Donald Lancy, Jr.
Michael Paul Larsen
Patrick Sze Yueh Lau
Jacquelin M. Le
Daniel Brian Levy
Lucinda Yeuk Zee Li
Dickson T. S. Liu
Michael Madigan
Patricia Lynn Madison
Charles Maggio
Sharon Lynn Magill
Paul Albert Marescalchi
Erin M'Carty
Laura Okalani Milner
Fawziya Mirza
Georgeta Elvira Mocanu
Mihai Mocanu
Nahall Modjarrad
Sheri Mae Morneault
Kerry Joseph Moscovitz
Gilbert Pierre Mraz
Hope Patricia Muller
Oscar Weijay Ni
Tammy Oatman
Sandra Lee Herbert Pacurariu
Lisa R. Patel
Pramesh Patel
Peter Pegolo
Elaine Irene Pelletier
Stephen Paul Planchet
Marjan K. Pousti
John William Rathjens
Songhee Yeo Reistad
Jacqueline Adele Rheault
James K. Roberts
Cristina Ferrari Rouiller
Earl Sandler
Elizabeth Schnipper

Laconia, New Hampshire
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Kalamazoo, Michigan
Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada
Toledo, Ohio
Westernville, New York
Brookline, Massachusetts
Madison, New York
Houston, Texas
Poland, Ohio
Salisbury, Massachusetts
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
San Diego, California
West Islip, New York
Stockton, California
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Nepean, Ontario, Canada
East Aurora, New York
West Hempstead, New York
Gambrills, Maryland
Swampscott, Massachusetts
Taunton, Massachusetts
Sudbury, Ontario, Canada
Laurel, Maryland
Ponte Vedra, Florida
Ponte Vedra, Florida
Union City, California
Forestville, Connecticut
Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Oakville, Ontario, Canada
North Massapequa, New York
Roslindale, Massachusetts
Camden, New York
Bear Creek, Pennsylvania
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Boston, Massachusetts
Plainville, Connecticut
Fort Kent Mills, Maine
Nashua, New Hampshire
Anaheim, California
Orange, Connecticut
Clackamas, Oregon
Manchester, New Hampshire
Milford, Connecticut
Columbia, Maryland
Brighton, Massachusetts
Jacksonville, Florida

Anil Kumar Sethi	Fremont, California
Cheryl Diane Sevigny	Uxbridge, Massachusetts
Cheryl L. Simoneau	Johnston, Rhode Island
John Alan Sisti, Jr.	Johnston, Rhode Island
Huey-Fen Song	Medford, Massachusetts
Luz Marina Tamayo	Miami, Florida
David James Tang	Fall River, Massachusetts
Paula A. Ting	Lee, New Hampshire
Cyndi Chingyee Tu	San Jose, California
Clarice Bernadette Vachon	Cornwall, Ontario, Canada
Deborah Lynn Vallieres	Atkinson, New Hampshire
Michelle Deanne Vinagre	Gloucester, Massachusetts
Femida Visnani	St. Albert, Alberta, Canada
Victoria Voros	Hawthorne, California
Paul Hoang Vu	San Jose, California
Monica Neeru Wadhwa	Chantilly, Virginia
Julie Lynn Walsh	Lawrence, Kansas
Geoffrey Andrew White	Boonton Township, New Jersey
Deborah Marie LeBlanc Zopatti	Pembroke, New Hampshire

Bachelor of Science in Optometry

Michelle Sara Cohen	Parkland, Florida
John Dias Magalhaes	New Bedford, Massachusetts
Kelvin Nguyen	Stockton, California
Steve Du Phung	Rosemead, California
Femida Visnani	St. Albert, Alberta, Canada

Degrees Awarded on December 1, 1995

Doctor of Optometry

Elena Pellaschiar	Trieste, Italy
Enrico Regattieri	Verona, Italy

Degrees Awarded on September 1, 1995

Doctor of Optometry

Keith Joseph Arruda	Somerset, Massachusetts
Joel Scott Jansen	Sharon, Massachusetts

*The information in this program should not be considered as verification that a degree was received.
All inquiries should be directed to the Registrar's Office.*

1996 Honorary Degree Recipient

Damien Patrick Smith, Ph.D., LOSc

Doctor of Ocular Science

Dr. Damien P. Smith is one of the most highly respected optometrists in the world. A practicing optometrist and managing editor of *VISION Asia-Pacific*, he was named International Optometrist of the Year in 1995 by the World Council of Optometry, and in that same year was appointed by Queen Elizabeth II to the Order of Australia for his services to optometry and to his country.

After earning his Licentiate Diploma of Optometric Science from the Victorian College of Optometry and a Ph.D. from the University of Melbourne, he went on to become an international leader in the field. As Executive Director of the Australian Optometric Association from 1972-1980, he was a strong voice in promoting the profession, both to government leaders and to the general public. After recognizing the similar problems facing many nations, he founded the International Federation of Asian and Pacific Associations of Optometrists, and served as its Secretary General from 1978 to 1995. Dr. Smith provided invaluable assistance to The New England College of Optometry in extending its programs to the People's Republic of China.

A scholar as well as a prominent practitioner, Dr. Smith's research has been published in leading optometric journals, such as *Vision Research* and *Investigative Ophthalmology*, and has presented papers and lectures at major conferences both in Australia and around the world.

In recognition of a lifetime of service and dedication to his profession, The New England College of Optometry is proud to present Dr. Damien Patrick Smith with the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Ocular Science.

The Optometric Oath

With full deliberation I freely and solemnly pledge that:

I will practice the art and science of optometry faithfully and conscientiously, and to the fullest scope of my competence.

I will uphold and honorably promote by example and action the highest standard, ethics and ideals of my chosen profession and the honor of the degree, Doctor of Optometry, which has been granted me.

I will provide professional care for those who seek my services, with concern, with compassion and with due regard for their human rights and dignity.

I will place the treatment of those who seek my care above personal gain and strive to see that none shall lack for proper care.

I will hold as privileged and inviolable all information entrusted to me in confidence by my patients.

I will advise my patients fully and honestly of all which may serve to restore, maintain or enhance their vision and general health.

I will strive continuously to broaden my knowledge and skills so that my patients may benefit from all new and efficacious means to enhance the care of human vision.

I will share information cordially and unselfishly with my fellow optometrists and other professionals for the benefit of patients and the advancement of human knowledge and welfare.

I will do my utmost to serve my community, my country and humankind as a citizen as well as an optometrist.

I hereby commit myself to be steadfast in the performance of this my solemn oath and obligation.



